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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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A method for extracting desired data from a digital database comprising the steps of:

- a. Specifying desired data elements to be extracted from an operational database;
- b. generating executable code from said identified data elements for extracting said identified data elements from said database;
- c. executing said executable code thereby extracting said identified data elements from said database.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said executable code stores the extracted data elements in a staging database.
- 3. The method of claim 2 wherein said operational database is a relational database.
- 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said staging database is a relational database.
- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein identifying the data elements to be extracted comprises the steps of selecting data elements stored in a repository through a graphical user interface.

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